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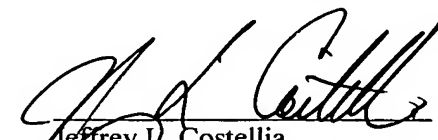
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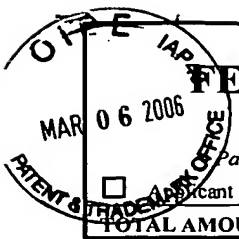
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| 1201 | 200 | 2201 | 100 | Independent claims in excess of 3 |
| 1203 | 360 | 2203 | 180 | Multiple dependent claim, if not paid |
| 1204 | 200 | 2204 | 100 | ** Reissue independent claims over original patent |
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